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Dear Interested Party:

The Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest is initiating the objection period for the Leviathan-Loop Rangeland Management Project which is located on the Carson and Bridgeport Ranger Districts. You are receiving this letter because you provided comments on this project during the comment period.

As the Responsible Official, Carson District Ranger Matthew Zumstein prepared a draft Decision Notice and Finding of No Significant Impact (DN/FONSI) for the Leviathan Loope Rangeland Management Project Environmental Assessment (EA). The project would reauthorize sheep grazing on the Leviathan and Campbell Loope Allotments which are located primarily in Alpine County, California. This project would also close three grazing allotments: Mud Lake, Double Springs and Barber which occur almost entirely in Douglas County, Nevada. These allotments have low forage capability and are not part of a sustainable or feasible grazing system. The EA and draft DN /FONSI are available for review on-line at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=45038>; or at the Carson District office at 1536 S. Carson St., Carson City, Nevada.

This proposed decision is subject to objection pursuant to 36 CFR 218, Subparts A and B. Objections will only be accepted from those who submitted project-specific written comments during scoping or other designated comment period in accordance with 36 CFR 218.5(a). Issues raised in objections must be based on previously submitted timely, specific written comments regarding the proposed project unless based on new information arising after the designated opportunity to comment.

Individual members of organizations must have submitted their own comments to meet the requirements of eligibility as an individual. If an objection is submitted on behalf of a number of individuals or organizations, each individual or organization listed must meet the eligibility requirement of previous written comment. Names and addresses of objectors will become part of the public record.

Objections must be submitted within 45 days following the publication of this legal notice in the legal paper of record *Reno Gazette-Journal*. The date of this legal notice is the exclusive means for calculating the time to file an objection. Those wishing to object should not rely upon dates or timeframes provided by any other source. It is the objector's responsibility to ensure evidence of timely receipt (36 CFR 218.9).



Objections must be submitted in writing to the Reviewing Officer, the Regional Forester. Objections may be submitted via mail to: Objection Reviewing Officer, Intermountain Region USFS, 324 25th Street, Ogden, Utah 84401, or delivered during business hours (M-F 8:00am to 4:30pm); or by fax to (801) 625-5277. Objections also may be sent by email to:

objections-intermtn-regional-office@fs.fed.us;

Electronic objections may be submitted in an email message or as an attachment to the email in .doc, .docx, .pdf, .txt, .rtf, or .html format. Please include "*Leviathan-Loope EA*" in the subject line.

Objections must include (36 CFR 218.8(d)): 1) name, address and telephone; 2) signature or other verification of authorship; 3) identify a single lead objector when multiple names are listed on an objection; 4) project name, Responsible Official name and title, and name of affected National Forest(s) and/or Ranger District(s); 5) Sufficient narrative description of those aspects of the proposed project objected to, specific issues related to the project, how environmental law, regulation, or policy would be violated, and suggested remedies which would resolve the objection; and, 6) description of the connection between your objections and your prior comments. Incorporate documents by reference only as provided for at 36 CFR 218.8(b).

For additional information, contact Courtney Ghiglieri, Project Lead at courtney.ghiglieri@usda.gov.

Sincerely,



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